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In re Application of Dahlin et al. Application No. 09/992,036 Filed: November 23, 2001 Attorney Docket No. 1039-0040 OFFICE OF PETITIONS

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed November 13, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **granted**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (Notice) mailed December 7, 2001. The Notice set a period for reply of two (2) months from the mail date of the Notice. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were timely obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on February 8, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on October 20, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$1005.00 extension of time fee submitted with the petition on November 13, 2003 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account as authorized.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a request to change the address of record should be filed. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

The file is now being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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